

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Aly Dossa (Reg No: 63372) on 4/7/2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

Amendments to the claims:

Claim 4 (currently amended): Method according to claim 1, characterized in that a command is sent to the smart card for ~~Resetting~~ Updating the counter.

Amendments to the specification:

Page 7, Line 6: B- ~~Reset~~Update counter

Page 9, Line 16: ~~Reset~~Update counter request with the value ~~zero~~ zero to the MECK2 counter.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SIMON KANAAN whose telephone number is (571)270-3906. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs 7:30-5:00 EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gilberto Barron can be reached on 5712723799. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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